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DECLINES TO QUIT THE PRESBITE-RIANS OR CHANGE HIS VIEWS.

He Sends a Courteous but Firm Letter to the General Assembly-Probable Action on It-Anthony Comstock Has a New Amdavit in the Warszawiak Case. MINNEAPOLIS, May 20.-Dr. Arthur C. Mc-Giffert, Professor of Church History in the

Union Theological Seminary, New York city, has declined to bow to the wishes of the Presbyterian Church as expressed by the General Assembly of 1898. In a courteous letter, read to the General Assembly this morning, he declares that he had been misunderstood, that he is in accord with the faith of the Presbyterian Church, and declines to withdraw from its

The denial was made in such courteous language and in such a kindly spirit that many of those who have no sympathy with Dr. McGiffert's views applauded the letter when it was read to the Assembly this morning, not seeing at first that beneath the mild language there was a firm refusal to do the bidding of the Church. Prof. McGiffert's letter was:

"New York, May 15, 1800.
"To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church "DEAR BRETHREN: At the meeting of the General Assembly held in May, 1898, action was taken in reference to a book entitled 'A History of Christianity in the Apostolic Age.' of which I am the author, and was communi-cated to me by the stated clerk under date of Sept. 22, 1848. Waiving at this time all ques-tions of constitutional right and order. I have thought it proper to look upon the action in the light of friendly advice from Christian brethren, in which light, indeed, it would seem that it must have been looked upon by these

Regarded thus, the action evidently requires no response from me, nor did the As-sembly intimate in any way that the response action was taken what I have felt my duty to The action of the Assembly, as well as the

everture from the Presbytery of Pittsburg upon which that action was based, makes it evident that many of my positions, together with the spirit and purpose of my book as a whole, have been seriously misapprehended. Such misapprehension I sincerely regret, and I wish here emphatically to repudiate the false constructions that have been placed upon my book in many quarters. So far as my views are concerned, they have been and remain, as I believe, in accord with the faith of the Presbyterian Church and of evangelical Christendom in all vital and essential matters, and I therefore cannot feel that it is my duty or even my right in justice to myself and my brethren and to the Church of our divine Lord and Master, in which I am an office. bearer, to withdraw from the ministry of the Presbyterian Church.

'In taking this position, to which I am constrained by a profound sense of duty, I desire to say that I recognize gratefully the spirit of Christian kindness which animated those who joined in the action of the last Assembly. and appreciate the devotion to the truth and the concern for the welfare of the Church which prompted their action. I desire to say, also, that I yield to no one in my devotion to the truth and in my concern for the welfare of the Church. ARTHUR C. McGIFFERT."

Everybody is now asking. What is to be done with Dr. McGiffert? Wherever a little group of Commissioners was gathered in the committee rooms or antercoms of the church the theme was the letter of the Union Seminary

The first wrestle with the problem will come in the Committee on Bills and Overtures, Dr. Wallace Radeliffe, Chairmau, to which the letter was referred. It was believed to-day finately on the committee will take the view that Dr. McGiffert has refused compliance with a direct request, which compliance was necessary to place him in harmony with Presbyterian doctrine and the Presbyterian church, and that he persists in remaining in a church which has already told him that he is not wanted if he cannot change his views.

But since Dr. McGiffert elects to maintain heterodox views and also to stay in the Church, the question is whether the committee will report in favor of putting him out. After years of quarrelling and unrest, after the Briggs and smith cases have been finished, the Church seems at last to be at peace but for this cloud in the sky. To take any vigorous measures. Dr. McGiffert adhering to his present views, means a horesy trial, and that means more dissension, more trouble, more bitterness, and an end of peace.

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"What is the difference anyway?" reasoned an extreme conservative this morning. "What is the use of making any more trouble about an insignificant book that hardly anybody has read or ever will read? Why should the Church bring on another heresy trial just to get rid of a man who ought to know that he is out of place in the Church? Why not let him go in peace? The Church has pronounced his doctrine unsafe; he is harmless."

The chief characteristics of this Assembly is its disposition to avoid trouble. A prominent member of the Committee on Bills and Overtures said to-day that much as he disapproved of Dr. McGiffert's position, he was sure that the committee would do everything in its power to dispose satisfactorily of the troublesome question without precipitating a heresy trial. The committee recognizes that Dr. McGiffert views himself as being in a correct attitude, and that he has been most courteous in his statement, and it hopes to find some peaceable way out of the trouble. When this committeeman was asked how that could be done he replied that it was hard to see. The prevailing opinion is that when the committee reports on the matter—which will probably be on next Wednesday morning—it will reassert the position that last year's Assembly took about Dr. McGiffert's views and let the matter drop at that.

It is possible, however, that there will be an acrimentous debate. The Rev. Dr. George W. F. Birch of New York, who belongs to and may even be called the leader of what some are pleased to call the "Heresy Hunters," was in no amiable mood as he listened this morning to the softly worded letter from Dr. McGiffert. He declined to discuss the letter, but admitted that he would probably take a hand in the debate when the committee makes its report.

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The Judicial Committee this evening examined the papers in the case of Herman Warszawiak, the Hebrew convert to the Presbyterian Church in New York, and found them properly prepared for a Commissioner who will be appointed by the Assembly to adjudicate the matter. Aside from the McGiffert case, there is more popular interest in this matter than any other coming before the Assembly.

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The case comes up on legal points rather than on its merits. The men interested in the prosecution say they have some interesting documents which have never been given to the public. Among these is an affliabit made a few days ago by Anthony Comstock, which The SUN reporter saw this evening, in which Mr. Comstock gives the details of an interview with Warszawiak, in which the latter confessed to gambling. In his affliavit Mr. Comstock tells of going to Warszawiak and asking for his assistance in shutting up a certain gambling place.

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"Mr. Warszawiak then leaned his arm on the desk and turned toward me and said: I could not come before the public or have it known that I had been over to this place, for if I did I might as well die. I have confossed my wrong to my Heavenly Father, and I have resolved this morning that I never would go over there again. I did wrong in going over there, but I went, and you have been sent to me to save me. If the facts were known the people of the world would not condemn me, but it would injure the mission and the Church.

"Deponent tried to get Warszawiak to go to Dr. Hall, his sponsor, and tell him the truth, Mr. Warszawiak, after consideration, refused to do this, saying: 'It would hurt Dr. Hall and his church and the Presbytery and the mission to have any publicity given to the facts; it would hurt them more than it would hurt me, I can earn a living. I can labor. I can do anything, and my family would not want, either, but they could not afford to have the facts published."

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Ministerial Relief. The matter is one of great importance to the clergy, and one which is receiving more and more attention every year. There are no funds available for the support of retired preachers except those collected by the Church in a sort of 'pass-the-hat' manner and spirit. The average for the entire Church is only a few cents a member, and the aggregate is so small that the preachers on the pension list receive only about \$200 annually. That amount will not go far toward supporting one man, and if he has a wife and family the \$200 becomes little more than a pittance. Many of the Ministerial and Lay Commissioners spoke on the subject and they often stirred the sudience to applicable the worth of the feet will be on the collections for the worn-out preachers is not certain.

Telegrams of greeting were received from the General Assembly of the Southern Fresbyterian Church, now in session in Richmond, Va. This assembly has also sent its greetings to the Southern General Assembly and to the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in session in Denver.

Moderator Sample announced this morning the sudden death of the Key, H. M. Robertson of the Presbytery of Des Moines, Is., some time during the night.

Delegates and friends went to St. Paul this afternoon to the number of over a thousand, and enjoyed their ride over the city; the visit to Macalester, the Presbyterian College of the State, and supper at Lake Commo, At a popular meeting this evening the subject of 'Ald for Colleges' and 'Home Missions' were presented by speakers, and a sterepytican lecture was delivered by the Rev. D. E. Links.

QUESTION AS TO VETO POWER. Right of Gov. Stone to Recall and Veto a Bill He Had Approved.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 20.-Mandamus proeedings are about to be instituted against Gov. Stone and Secretary of the Commonwealth Griest in the matter of the approval and subsequent veto of the McClain bill, providing for the incorporation of companies which could not be chartered under the Corporation law of 1874. The square issue will be raised as to the right of the Governor to first sign a bill, then recall it from the Secretary of the Com-

monwealth and veto the measure. Representative George Hosack of Pittsburg, was either expected or desired. But it is my wish to be governed entirely by the spirit of Christian fraternity, and I therefore take this opportunity of informing the brethren gathmonwealth to compel him to issue a charter to ered in the first General Assembly since the a company formed under the McClain act. It will be contended that the bill was regularly be in view of the fraternal counsel offered me signed, and certified copies, as approved by the Governor, were furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth before Gov. Stone discovered the fraudulent change in the interest of distilling companies and vetoed it. It will not be a difficult matter to prove by the State De-partment officials that the bill became a law in the regular way and that the withdrawal of the measure by the Governor was after certified copies of the act had been obtained by lawyers interested as counsel for companies which are ready to apply for incorporation under its pro-visions.

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Application will probably be made for a charter for some company not entitled to a charter under the present law. This will be refused by the State Department on the ground that there is no law in existence allowing the incorporation of such companies as the one in question. Then would follow the petition for a mandamus to compet the Secretary of the Commonwealth to issue a charter and to decide whether the McClain act is a law or not. How the McClain bill came to be doctored in the interest of distilling companies is said to be well known and an exposure is probable. A certain clerk in one of the departments is mentioned in the gossip about the fraud. It is related that he went into the transcribing room on the night the bill was being transcribed and, pretending to assist the franscribers made the change that resulted in the provision giving distilling companies the right to be incorporated. This clerk's connection with the bill is also said to involve another person prominent in the political moves of the last few months. Gov. Stone will get at the bottom of the crookedness.

NO ESCAPE FOR THIS THIEF.

Two Brothers to Club Him and One to Shoot Him and a Cop to Take Him In. James T. Kingston, a bicycle dealer at 691 First avenue, shot a thief who was forcing an entrance into his store at 5 o'clock yesterday norning. Thieves got into the place three weeks ago and carried off a \$40 wheel, so Kingston had a burglar alarm put in, the wires being connected with a bell in the room back

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At 5 o'clock yesterday morning William nudged James in the ribs and said. 'Burglars.'' The alarm was rinking. James saized his revolver and went out through the front door to the street. His two brothers armed themselves with clubs and waited in the back yard. James entered the hallway next his store and saw a man trying to drag a bicycle out of the door. The thief heard Kingston approaching and, dropping the wheel, ran into the back yard and tried to climb over the fence to i83. George and William Kingston assailed him with their curied a limmy and with it made a weep at James.

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WAS MRS. WILSON DRUGGED?

Strang Case of the Woman Who Was Found Luconsclous in a Cab in Brooklyn.

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a rich widow, who lives at 583 Carlton avenue. Her relatives said she was not a drinking woman, although a flask of whiskey was found in the cab with her, and they declared their belief that she must have been drugged. This theory, in their opinion, was strengthened by the fact that all the money she carried with her, amounting, it is supposed, to over \$500, was missing, with the exception of a few dollars. It is said that Mrs. Wilson went over to Manhattan on Friday morning to see her lawyer about the partition of an estate in which she and her brother are interested, and had drawn \$300 from one bank and a like amount from another. Mrs. Wilson told one of the nurses at the hosbital that, after seeing her lawyer and drawing the money from the bank, she had spent about \$50 in shopping. Late in the afternoon she remembered having gone into a restaurant in Union Square, but has to her subsequent movements she had no recollection whatever. John Stack, the driver of the cab, says that Mrs. Wilson halled him in the City Hail Square and told him to drive her to her home, in Grand avenue, Brooklyn. He did not notice at the time that there was anything the matter with her and only discovered her condition when he reached Grand avenue and stopped the cab to ask the number of her house. the fact that all the money she carried with her.

house.
Capt, Hardy of the Flushing avenue station communicated with Mulberry street head-quarters, but nothing is likely to be done in an investigation of the case until Mrs. Wilson is able to give more definite information in regard to her movements on this side of the river. Mrs. Wilson brought back with her in the cab some of the articles she had purchased in her shopping tour, but the bank books are missing.

OPPOSED TO CONSOLIDATION. Hoboken Thinks She Will Do Better to

Hold Off from Jersey City. The Hoboken Board of Tax Commissioners passed a resolution yesterday expressing disapproval of the proposed consolidation of the various municipalities in Hudson county. An act was passed recently by the New Jersey if they could not afford to have the facts pubthed."
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The commission will be composed of one
representative from each municipality in the
county. The members of the Hoboken Tax
Board believe that Hoboken is better off by
itself. The revenues of the city exceed those of
any other city of its size in the county. Copies
of the resolution will be sent to the members
of the commission and the city Common
Council.

ADMIRAL PHILIP'S GUESTS. 285 SMALL BOYS WAKE THE MA-

RINES IN THE NAVY YARD. The Oldest of Them 14 Years-Headed by Their Own Drum Corps They March Through the Navy Yard-Give Admiral and Mrs. Philip Two Ruffles Each.

In answer to Admiral Philip's hearty invitation 285 small boys of St. John's Home, Brooklyn, visited him at the navy yard yesterday afternoon. "Bring your drums and make all the noise you can; make enough to wake the marines," he said when he invited them. They came, they brought the drums and they waked the marines. At the request of the Admiral they inspected the cruiser New York. Commander J. D. J. Kelley, who is not a great deal older than the oldest of the small boys, was detailed to take them around and to answer questions.

The boys climbed out of four trolley cars a the Sands street gate of the navy yard at 10 o'clock. Mother de Chantal and six sombrely dressed, broadly smiling sisters of St. Joseph were in charge of them, together with Henry A. Blackmar, the superintendent of the home. Half of the boys were in gray soldier suits, braided with black. None of them was quite big enough to wear long trousers becomingly. The other half were the navni battalion of the home and wore sailor suits, with broad white collars and white sailor hats that were as wide as their shoulders. Then there was a drum corps with six drums (not boys' size drums, but real honest drums), a bass drum, four bugles and six fifes. Capt. Flannagan formed the soldiers in five companies just outside the gate, and Capt. O'Malley, in the spotless white and the gold of the warm weather naval officer, lined up six companies of sailors behind the soldiers. Out of the gate came Commander Kelley to welcome them If Commander Kelley had been a circus man

or a Sunday school superintendent, he would most likely have waved his hand gayly over his head and made some such trifling remark as "Hooray, boys!" Commander Kelley replied very gravely to the salutes of Capts. Flannagan and O Malley and such of their men who saw them saluting in time to imitate their action. Then he took off his hat and chatted a moment with the Mother Superior and the sisters, and told Mr. Blackmar how the eadets were to march into the vard. Mr. Blackmar and Mr. Kelley were very friendly, as was proper, for Mr. Blackmar is a brother-inlaw of Capt. Barker, who only yesterday took Admiral Dewey's place in command of the fleet

law of Capt. Barker, who only vesterday took Admirai Dewey's place in command of the fleet at Manila. Moreover, Mr. Blackmar was once a soldier, for he is a member of George Ricard Post, G. A. R., which, through his influence, graciously allows the boys to parade with it on Decoration Day.

Walter Glissom, the drum major, lifted the slivered end of his baton high above the red feather plume of his hat and brought it down with a majestic swing. The drums and the fifes and the trumpets and the tigh sas drum rattled and boomed and squealed "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," and the line, gray and white, all in column of fours, swung through the gateway and along the cobblestone roadway to the left. The marine guard stood solemnly at attention as the procession moved by.

At the building where the yard paymaster settles with the laborers a great crowd of workingmen was gathered, for Saturday is pay day. The workmen lined the road and cheered as the uniformed youngsters swing around the corner and turned down toward Admiral Phillip's headquarters. When the Sisters came along the workmen all took off their hats. Just before the band reached the Administration building the tune was changed to "Hail to the Chief." It echoed beautifully between the rows of brick buildings on either side. Drum Major Gilseom swung his baton behind his back and whirled it on either tinger until the silver sphere at the big end made a flashing circle in the air.

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Soon there was a sharp rattle of orders from the company commanders halting their com-panies. They were all facing the little head-quarters building then, with the band on the left of the line.

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end of the other dry dock. Commander Kelley and Mr. Blackmar walking at the head and a black-gowned sister at the side of each company.

The two battalions were brought into line alongside the ship and the drum corps played. The Star-Spangled Banner, and "lankee Doodle" by way of an introductory salute.

When the boys were ordered to break ranks they scampered down the steep sides of the dry dock like a flock of sheep. Lots of them had been aboard ships before, but none of them had been aboard ships before, but none of them had ever been under one. After the whole crowd was down under the keel there came a sudden silence after their outburst of chattering. Every mother's son of them was looking up at the great red holl above him; and though not one would admit it, every one of them was just a little bit scared by the bigness and the wideness and the roundness of the big ship up above them. They came scrambling up again in a minute, jubbering again like a flock of blackbirds and making for the gangplanks. They swarmed all over the ship.

They were told, whenever they hesitated about going through a door or up or down a companion way, that they were free to go anywhere that they could and to keep on going until they were stopped. Some stayed on deck, going from gun to gun, standing on tiptoe to peer down the twisted steel bores of one after another of them. They were helped by a very accommodating young man, who was respectfully referred to by the grown-up sallors as "officer of the deck," but who, notwithstanding the length of his title, had not nearly so much goid lace on his hat as Capt, Chadwick or Admiral Philip. He had a saliorman go atound opening the breech of each gun so that one small boy could take stand at eliner end and make a face and say "Boo". Others went up to the bridge with Commander Kelley. They were very quiet up there. The business of imagining that one is Admiral Dewey on the bridge of the Olympia requires much silence. One or two hardy little scamps elimbed up into the fighting tops and sq

guns.
The men's quarters, the gundeck and the The men's quarters, the gundeck and the engine room were all overrun by them. Their great desire was to make sure of accing absolutely everything that was to be seen. After they had been aboard about twenty minutes Commander Kelley went through the ship, passing the word that a box of hardack had been orened for them in the sailors quarters, by order of Admiral Philip. The Admiral sent word that wanted every boy who wanted to know what hardtack was like or who was hungry to help himself. His instructions were followed by the boys with great enthusiasim.

Mr. Blackmar, after industrious search, gathered the drum corps together at about 12 oclock and had them beat the assembly. Two buglers blew a blast down the ergine-room companionways. For ten minuter after that

gray and white figures popped out of one hatch or another and scampered down the gangway to the edge of the dry dock until the army and navy forces of the dry dock until the army and navy forces of the St. John's Home were mobilized once more.

They marched away to the side of the other dry dock, and then by their own motion, but by permission of Mr. Blackmar, gave three cheers, int in hand, for the New York.

The New York's crew was all over the ship's side watching them, and every bronzed face was agrin with admiration for the show the little fellows made. When the St. John's boys cheered, a petty officer amidships on the New York jumped on the rail and called for three cheers. for the kids. The roar that went up was heard outside the Sands street gate.

The ice was broken then. The boys wanted to cheer again and they did. They would be cheering yet if Mr. Blackmar and the Sisters had not trished up and down the ranks suppressing them.

When the march was resumed the boys returned to the headquarters building and passed in review before Admiral Philip. The sallor boys all raised their hands to their flattorped hats in sainte as they passed. The Admiral returned the sailte of each pistoon in its turn. As the last file passed him the Admiral returned to an orderly and said:

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Mrs. Philip did not have to hurry, though, for when the procession was in front of the Admiral's home it was drawn up in line again. Mrs. Philip when she came out was greeted with two ruffles, and three cheers for herself and three cheers for the Admiral.

That she finest int of boys under 14 years old I ever saw in my life. said the Admiral, watching his guests from the door of his office. Before returning them to the home the trolley cars on which the youngsters were loaded at the navy vard gate took them for a round trip to the Manhattan end of the big bridge. All the way over and back they stood on tiptoe and climbed their seats in the effort to see Admiral Philip's navy yard from the bridge.

TRIED HARD TO KILL HIMSELF. Flouer Butted His Head Against the Wall and Tried to Swallow Broken Glass.

While crossing from New York to Long Island City on a Thirty-fourth street ferryboat yesterday morning. Gottleib Flouer, who keeps a florist place at Junction avenue and Grove street, Corona, amused himself by shying eggs at other passengers on the boat. Flouer carried his ammunition in a big market basks and continued the sport after leaving the boat. Policeman Sheridan arrested him. When brought before the Sergeant in the police sta-

brought before the Sergeant in the police station he broke away and butted the wall several
times with his head. When dragged back to
the Sergeant's desk he drew a clasp knife and
went through the action of stabbing himself by
striking the handle against his breast several
times. He was disarmed.

A few hours later, when arraigned before
Magistrate Smith in the Sixth Street Police
Court, he asked for a drink of water. A glass
of water was handed him. He selzed it with
both hands, and, thrusting the glass far into
his mouth, bit out a mouthful of the glass and
hegan to chew it. Several policemen threw
themselves upon him and he was choked until
the broken bits of glass were forced from his
mouth. He was committed to the Queens
County Jail for examination as to his sanity,
His mouth and throat were terribly cut by the
glass.

Flouer informed the police that his wife had

glass.
Flower informed the police that his wife had left him and taken their baby and he didn's care to live longer.

CANCER DROVE HIM TO SUICIDE. W. R. Johnson of Gas Hill, O., Swallows

CINCINNATI, May 20.-W. B. Johnson, a wealthy fruit grower, made a double at-tempt to commit suicide at his home at Gus Hill, near Mount Washington, to-night. He had been suffering with cancer, and became discouraged in his battle with the disease. While he was dining with his family this evening he abruptly left the table and walked to the stable in the rear of the house. There he swalstable in the rear of the house. There he swallowed a large dose of arsenic and then shot himself in the temple with a revolver, which he is known to have carried for some time. Members of the family heard the sound of the shot and rushing to the stable found him lying on the floor. He was unconscious and a physician was hurriedly summoned, who worked with him for several hours but gives no hopes of his recovery.

Mr. Johnson is about 15 years old and has a wife and several grown children. He has achieved considerable fame as a successful fruit grower. He is a well-known Methodist revivalist and has taken a leading part in the affairs of that church in Cincinnati.

SLINEY ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Robert T. Lyon's Murderer Cuts His Thront in the Matteawan Asylum. MATTEAWAN, May 20.-Michael Sliney, an inmate of the State Asylum, despairing of getting a pardon, attempted to commit suicide early yesterday morning by cutting his throat and leg; with a piecelof glass. On Tuesday, Sliney, in trying to escape, made a desperate attack on Attendant Saunders, hitting him on the head with a piece of iron pipe. For this act he was punished by being placed in an isolated cell. Early on Friday morning, while the night guards were making their rounds. Since was foundlying unconscious in his cell and bleed-ing profusely from a ragged cut, in the neck, ing profusely from a ragged cut in the neck, close to the jugular vein, which he had made with a piece of glass. He had also made a bad cut in his leg. The asylum physicians were summoned and it was a long time before Sliney regained consciousness, and he is still in a precarious condition. Siney was committed to the State Asylum a few years ago for the murder of Robert T. Lyou in New York city.

William Schaffer, 68 years old, of 202 Dod street, Weehawken Heights, shot himself yesterday morning in a room in the house occupied by Palisade Engine Company of the Wee hawken Volunteer Fire Department. He was an honorary member of the company. He left his home at 5 o'clock yesterday morning, pre-sumably for a walk. He leaves a widow and two children. He had been acting strangely of late.

Saved by the Fender. Alma Dickhuth, 10 years old, of 377 Central

avenue, Williamsburg, was sent on an errand last evening by her mother. While crossing Hamburg avenue at Cornelia street she was struck by the fender of a Canarsie car. She was thrown forward about twenty feet, and then the fender struck her again and scooned her in. She was taken to the house of Dr. M. E. Peter-sen, at 428 Hamburg avenue, where it was found that her right shoulder was dislocated.

How hard a mother has to conx before she can get her child to take its first step.



It is just about as hard to induce a

confirmed invalid, especially one suffer-ing with weakness of the lungs, to take the first step to health. There is a lack of confidence, and perhaps a crushing experience of a former failure which depresses and discourages the sufferer.

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"My wife was taken sick in August, 1897" writes Wm. Huelbig, Esq. of Benton, Franklin Co., Ills. "The doctors and neighbors pronounced her trouble consumption. I had two physicians but they did not do much good. She coughed night and day; could not lie down for coughing and she got down very low. I thought she never could be cured. Then I got four bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and she took all of it, and is all right now. She is stouter than before we were married. She is taking care of the baby and does all the housework including the washing."

JUDGE CLACK.

Remedy Ever Benefited Him or His Family as Paine's Celery Compound Has Done.



If you are about to take a spring remedy, if you are at all "run-down," overworked, nervous or sleepless, and are deliberating what is the best remedy to suit your case-

Get at the facts! If you will read Judge Clack's experience with Paine's celery compound it will keep you from earrying home, for your own use or that of your family, any of the preparations, secretly

of your family, any of the preparations, accretly compounded, not vouched for by physicians or trained nurses, and incompetent, in the eyes of any one who has tried them, to effect any real benefit to the blood or the nerves.

Judge Clack was for twelve years Chief of Police of Nashville, Tenn, prior to his appointment to his present position on the bench of the City Court. Judge Clack is willing to tell the benefit he himself and his family have derived from Paine's celery compound. It is hard to see what stronger assurance of the healthmaking capability of Paine's celery compound could be given than the following indorsement by Judge Clack:

"I have found Paine's celery compound the finest tonic for the nerves and up-builder of

WAR BETWEEN THE DEMPSEYS

Two judgments, aggregating \$2,455, were entered vesterday against Lavinia H. Dempsey. Queen of the Holland Dames, in favor of her brother, John A. Dempsey. One of the judg-

and July 24, 1896, and the other is for \$653 lent between November, 1895, and January, Mr. Dempsey, when a reporter asked him

Mr. Dempsey, when a reporter asked him about the judgments, intimated that they were to be weapons in a legal fight to a finish between himself and Lavinia H.

"My so-called royal sister, Queen Lavinia," said Mr. Dempsey, "berrowed this mopey several years ago on the strength of her personal notes and checks. Payment has been repeatedly demanded, but has not been forthcoming. I suppose that her time is too much taken up with affairs of royalty to trifle with answering solicitations for the payment of debts.

"Now, however, there's going to be a battle royal, and the issue will be joined on Wednesday next in a suit in which my brother, Guy C. Dempsey, and I will be defendants and my so-called toyal sister the plaintiff. The complaint in this suit was served on my brother and my-self some months ago. We are charged with unjustly retaining alleged silverheirlooms that are supposed to have passed through the hands of the royal-bloodel sneestors of the Dempseys for numberless generations. My statement in this coming suit is likely to be of some interest to all those persons who are interested in the Society of the Holland Dames of the New Netherlands. But the world will have to wait until Wednesday."

TRUST COMPANY OF AMERICA. \$5,000,000 Capital and Surplus Largely Oversubscribed.

It was announced yesterday that the stock of the Trust Company of America, which is or-ganizing with a capital of \$2,500,000 and a surganizing with a capital of \$2,500,000 and a surplus of \$2,500,000, had been largely oversubscribed. The subscriptions were nearly \$8,000,000. It is likely that the organization of the company will be perfected this wack. It has been reported that the company's plans differ from those of the ordinary trust company, being much wider in scope. Edward F. Cragin, Joel F. Freeman, James M. Donald, and Alvah Trowbridge are among those interested in the company.

BROWN STUDENTS WILL BE GOOD. Massmeeting to Show How Sorry They Were for Their Recent Fun.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 20.-The Brown University students held a massmeeting to-day and appointed a committee to ascertain from and appointed a committee to ascertain from the faculty what rights they had in regard to "celebrations." They passed resolutions of friendship with the firemen and all the city authorities. They also voted to reimburse the university for the 1,000 feet of hose destroyed during Wednesday night a fight with the Fire Department. The faculty will probably not discipline the students in view of their action to-day.

Paper Rulers Adopt a Union Label. The organized paper rulers of this city have adopted a union label to enable union compos-Itors to distinguish between union and non-union ruled paper. The label has been in-dorsed by the Alied Printing Trades Council, which declares that henceforth all ruled paper which does not bear it will be looked on as non-union ruled paper.

Bricklayers Get Their Half Holiday. The Saturday half holiday agreed to between the bricklayers' unions of Manhattan and the Bronx and the Mason Builders' Association went into effect yesterday. The men quitwork at noon. Union bricklayers who work after that hour on Saturdays will receive double wages for overtime.

Child Abandoned at Elevated Boad Station A neatly clad girl about three weeks old was found abandoned at noon yesterday in the waiting room of the Third avenue and Fortieth street station of the Brooklyn Elevated Rail-read. She was taken to the city nurse.

the system ever used by myself or family. There are no claims made for it which are not fully sustained. I have recommended it to my friends, and take this opportunity of advising the public of its wonderful merits."

Paine's celery compound is carried home by men and women of the highest standing in every profession: it is cheerfully and publicy recommended by physicians, and used in their own families, as the one responsible Spring remedy; and is vouched for by men and women in every community, who are as careful when they indorse a remedy as when they indorse a note.

Paine's celery compound is the most remarkable remedy that the scientific research of this country has produced. Prof. Edward E. Phelps. M. D. LL. D. of Dartmouth College, first prescribed what is now known the world over as Paine's celery compound, for all "run-down" conditions of the nerves brain and tissues and for puritying the blood, especially in the Spring, when it is most amenable to improvement.

"I don't know what is the matter with me." complain many hard-working men and women after a winter of indoor work or excitement." Tean hardly say I'm sick, for I am able to be

STEAMSHIP FINED \$500. Queen Lavinia Suing Brother John, Who En- | Penalty Imposed at Galveston for Carrying a French Consul to Havana.

> ESTON, Tex., May 20,-The Norwegia steamship Orange, which will sail to-night for Havana with 675 head of cattle, was fined \$500 to-day by the customs authorities for carrying Cany M. Dupas, the French Consul, as a supercargo on her last trip to Havana. M. Dupas cargo on her last trip to Havana. M. Dunas was the French Consul here, and a short time before the sailing of the Orango, on May 6, received notice of his transfer to Havana. Anxious to reach his new post as quickly as possible, he shipped on the Orange as a supercargo under the name of James Dupas. Here is where all concerned made a mistake. Had he gone in his official capacity as French Consul, everything would have been proper, but he didn't, and the customs officials, in obedience to their instructions, imposed had collected a fine of \$500 before they cleared the steamship.

BUTTERFLY SHOW.

Dean Hoffman's Collection to Be Exhibited

at the Natural History Museum. The collection of Mexican, Central and South American butterflies made by the Very Rev. E. A. Hoffman, Dean of the General Theological Seminary, is now being arranged for public exhibition at the American Museum of Natural History. Prof. William E. Beurenmuller, in charge of the Entomological Department, said yesterday that the collection would be ready by the end of this week. It contains 2.500 specimens, including many rare and beautiful

ones.

Among the rarest is the Dynastor Napoleon, amed after the Emperor. It hails from Rio de Janeiro, and has a spread of wings of five inches. There is a large series of the Morpho butterflies, whose colors include beautiful qual and metallic blues, and also of the curious caligo or owl butterflies, the under shie of whose wings shows an owl's face.

ACCUSED CUSTOMS INSPECTORS. One Removed, Twelve Suspended for Thirty Days, Ten Reinstated.

Ten out of the twenty-three inspectors of ustoms attached to the staff of the Surveyor of the Port, who were suspended recently charged with having accepted gratuities, have been rewith having accepted gratuities, have been re-instated, the charges against them not having been sustained. Twelve of the inspectors have been suspended for a definite period of thirty days and one inspector has been removed. None of the names of the inspectors has been made public. The inspector who was removed from the service, it was proved, had called at the hotel of a steamship passenger, whose lag-gage he had examined, and had intimated that he wanted a gratuity.

Fell Dead from His Bicycle.

Edward Sanford, 38 years old, for the pas event years a shipping clerk for Mills & Gibb seven years a simpping cierk for Mins & Gibb of 402 to 408 Broadway, fell dead yestering while riding his bicycle at North William street and Park row. He was President of the Monitor Wheelmen of 432 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, An ambulance surgeon pronounced it a case of heart failure. Sanford was married and lived at 473 Dean street, Brooklyn. Although an enthusiastic wheelman, he was not in the habit of riding to excess.

Flags on the Queen's Birthday.

THE SUN has received a letter announcing hat the "Irish-American Loyal League "has applied to Chief Devery for permission to raise the British and American flags together at Battery Park on Wednesday morning next at suarise in honor of the Queen's birthday. This may be a second edition of the joke played on Alderman Harrington, who was induced to offer in the board a resolution he hadd tread calling for a general flag-raising on Wednesday.

Undoing a Painter's Mischief.

The task of cleaning from the scroll pieces and bronze panels on the Washington Bridge the paint which was put on during Mayor Strong's administration was begun last Friday. The contractors who did the work wanted to get as much paint on the bridge as possible, evidently, for their men daubed these scroll pieces and panels with a composition which resembled vencer.

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WHO IN JOHN II. ZIMMERMAN?

A Man Found in the Street Half Conscious Now in a Hospital. Policeman Masterson late on Friday night came across a middle-aged, well-dressed man apparently drunk on the sidewalk in Decatur street near Howard avenue, Brooklyn. He took him to the police station, where he said his name was John Zimmerman. He was unable name was John Zinnerman. He was unable to tell where he lived and was locked up. Six hours inter he was heard breathing heavily and unnaturally. After a vain intempt to arouse him, he was sent to St. Mary's Hospital, where he was Shil mensible last night. On the face of a gold watch in his possession was the inscription "John H Zinnerman, Brooklyn, N.Y. The name does not appear in the Brooklyn Directory.

AN EXPERT'S DISCOVERY.

For severally ears a food expert experimented with a food, the aim being to produce one easy of digestion, that would contain more nutriment than meat.

Grape-Nuts is the result of this experi-It is shown that one pound of Grape-Nuts

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